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‘She was beautiful, but she looked like hell’

USC student calls attention to area prostitution, searches for girl

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For many college students, sex is a major part of life on campus. It’s a hot button topic at universities everywhere.

But selling sex in college was something that never really crossed Kyle Harper’s mind until recently. Now, he’s blogging about it.

“I grew up [in Columbia] and didn’t know you could just walk around the corner and find a prostitute,” Harper, a second-year business management and marketing student, said.

In August, Harper and his friends huddled into a booth at a Columbia Waffle House for a late-night meal following a church service. As they sipped their coffee, Harper noticed a young woman sitting at the bar.

“She was wearing a short dress and heels,” he said in a blog post. “She was beautiful, but she looked like hell.”

One of Harper’s friends went over to speak with the girl and learned that she was a prostitute who

went by the name Lacy. Harper, in his blog post, describes her as being 22, maybe 23 and “looking for business.”

They invited her to sit with them to discuss religion, but she declined, saying, as she left the restaurant and disappeared into the night, “I can’t believe anyone would love me.”

Though the interaction between Lacy and the group was short, it affected Harper deeply. He has since vowed to find her again.

Initially, Harper wrote a lengthy blog post in an attempt to raise awareness. The post went viral with over 750,000 views in less than a week. The response, Harper said, “was so overwhelming.”

A halfway house in Atlanta saw the post and called Harper immediately to tell him they had a bed open and a “team that’s ready to go” when he found her.

“Their purpose is to acclimate her to a normal way of life,” he said.

It’s been months since the initial encounter, and Harper is still searching. Sometimes he wonders if Lacy hasn’t come forward because she doesn’t want help.

“If that’s what she wants to do, then that’s what

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USC partners with IBM on new tech center

Trustees approve multi-million dollar contract with companies

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USC is teaming up with IBM and Fluor Construction Corporation to create an on-campus technology research center come January.

Though it will be housed in existing USC facilities at the start of next year, a brand new building will open its doors in 2016 to the tune of \$25 million, an agreement USC’s board of trustees approved Friday. The five-story building will stand at the corner of Blossom and Assembly streets, in the

The technology research center will move to the new building in 2016, following the completion of 650 Lincoln, the publicly-private funded residence hall USC is working on with Atlanta-based Holder Properties.

“The Center for Applied Innovation is the realization of the University of South Carolina’s vision to advance higher education through strong, public-private partnerships,” University President Harris Pastides said.

And for \$70 million, IBM will oversee all of USC’s computer systems to begin in January, bringing on 100 employees. Additionally, 60 technology-versed USC employees will start to work for IBM, while reaping university-esque benefits.

IBM has promised internship opportunities for students and plans to partner with the Darla Moore School of Business, as well as the College of Engineering.

And in other construction news, two on-campus buildings being renovated to house colleges are on track to be completed on schedule, according to USC architect Derek Gruner.

Construction on the Horseshoe building that will house the College of Journalism and Mass Communications is both under budget and on schedule to complete construction in June 2015, according to USC spokesman Wes Hickman.

“That gives plenty of time for a methodical move-in for fall 2015,” Gruner told trustees Friday.

Hamilton College, which is being fully renovated to house the College of Social Work, is also on schedule to be completed in July 2015. Hamilton’s windows have been removed and a second floor has been added to what was

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Redshirt senior Dylan Thompson was one of three South Carolina players to score a touchdown Saturday.

South Carolina gains bowl eligibility in victory

Team has now won at least 6 games every year under Spurrier

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South Carolina achieved bowl eligibility in sloppy fashion Saturday with a 37-12 victory over South Alabama in a contest that featured ten turnovers.

The Gamecocks will play in a bowl game for the ninth time in ten seasons under head coach Steve Spurrier and the 20th time in program history.

In a season that has had more than its fair share of ups and downs, Saturday’s win finally put an end to the nightmarish thought of the preseason No. 9 team missing the postseason altogether.

Spurrier credited his team’s resilience for reaching the six-win plateau ahead of its highly anticipated matchup with Clemson.

“They have turned around the season in these last two games,” Spurrier said. “It would have been easy for them to pack it in [after the Tennessee game], but they have risen to the occasion.”

For much of the game, South Carolina failed to put away the Jaguars despite being given numerous chances. After a South Alabama field

goal cut the Gamecock’s lead to 10-6 early in the second quarter, the wrong kind of back-and-forth game broke out.

The next six possessions ended in turnovers, one being a 21-yard interception return for a touchdown by senior safety Brison Williams. Spurrier noted the play was huge for regaining momentum after the first of junior running back Mike Davis’ two fumbles.

Davis, who took part in the Senior Day activities, had just three touches in the game, fumbling the final two. His fumbles were two of five South Carolina turnovers, which allowed the Jaguars to hang in the game until the fourth quarter.

“With all the turnovers we had, we gave them a chance,” Spurrier said. “But fortunately, our defense really came to play the entire second half. I knew it wasn’t going to be easy.”

The defensive unit held the Jaguars to just 3.7 yards per play and allowed 82 total yards in the second half, forcing five turnovers in all. Saturday marked the second time this season — the other being Furman — that the defense recovered a fumble and caught an interception in the same game. Defensive coordinator Lorenzo Ward said he was happy to see his players’ hard work pay off

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Columbia police investigating attempted sexual assault

An attempted sexual assault was reported Sunday at around 1:45 p.m. by the 1300 block of Pickens Street, according to a USC crime bulletin. The City of Columbia Police Department is currently investigating.

A woman walking on the sidewalk was approached from behind by an unidentified male, who was described as a black man between the ages of 20 and 30, wearing a black hoodie and black pants. The man forced the victim into an alley and then attempted to sexually assault her. Another person heard the victim’s screams and ran to the area to intervene, but the suspect fled immediately. The suspect was reported to have fled several blocks away from campus.

Police did not issue an emergency notification because, according to the crime bulletin, “there was no immediate (on going) danger to the community.” The bulletin also said there was a time delay before the incident was reported to USCPD.

—Natalie Pita, News Editor

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IN BRIEF

1 man injured in Vista shooting near Lucky 13 nightclub

A shooting in the 900 block of Lady Street left one man injured, The State reported. Officers responded to a call about a shooting Saturday at 2 a.m. The incident took place near The Lucky 13 nightclub. The victim told officers that a relative drove him to a local hospital after he was shot in the leg, and the injury seemed to be non-life-threatening. When officers collected evidence at the scene, they noticed damage to vehicles in the area as a result of the shooting. Columbia police are currently investigating the shooting. Anyone with information is asked to call CrimeStoppers at 1 (888)-CRIME-SC.

— Natalie Pita, News Editor

Police make 23 drug-related arrests following undercover investigation

Midlands law enforcement arrested 22 adults and one juvenile for selling illegal drugs after an undercover investigation of nearly three months, The State reported. The suspects are charged with 57 drug charges including the possession of crack cocaine and marijuana and the distribution of crack cocaine, marijuana and controlled prescription drugs. Warrants were also issued against three suspects for eluding arrest. The suspects range in age from 16 to 59 years old. Trayon Newhouse, 22, faces charges of attempted murder and assault and battery in Richland County, as well as four drug charges. Three additional suspects are wanted on charges of distribution of crack cocaine and distribution of crack cocaine near a school. The investigation was launched in August as a response to citizen complaints about the prevalence of drug dealing in North Main Street areas and the Dorrah Randall neighborhood.

— Natalie Pita, News Editor

Confederate flag still racially divides South Carolina, poll reveals

A Winthrop poll that surveyed 852 SC adults from Nov. 9 to 16 showed that the Confederate flag remains a racially divisive symbol in the state, The State reported. A majority — 61 percent — of South Carolinians believe that the flag should continue to fly on the State House grounds, while 33 percent believe it should be taken down. “That’s a divide that most people expected,” said Scott Huffmon, director of the poll. Three out of four white people — 73 percent — said the flag should continue to fly, while 61 percent of black people said the flag should come down. Of that 73 percent of white people, nearly half said they strongly felt it should stay up. Nearly one third of South Carolinians said they felt neutrally.

— Natalie Pita, News Editor

CORRECTIONS

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she’s going to do,” Harper said. “If she wants help, we’ll help her. If not, nothing. Though I wouldn’t wish anyone in that situation.” Harper has also been in contact with Niki Driver, the director of a Simpsonville-based women’s rehabilitation center which aids law enforcement in tracking down pimps, in order to fully understand the process. “At this point, I don’t foresee us finding her,” Harper said. “My goal now is to raise awareness about the issue.” Angie Whitehead, program director at The Women’s Shelter in West Columbia, said that seeing college-aged girls enter the facility is not uncommon. “Oh, yes,” she said. “The majority of women in college who come to us decide to drop out in order to become more stable. They will put their education on hold.” Whitehead admits that the entrance of prostitutes who are also college students is “rare” — but it has happened. “Our facility is for women in crisis,” Whitehead said. “But we only take women who are ready to embrace change.” At The Women’s Shelter, any enrolled woman must seek out employment within the first two weeks of their stay. Harper’s goal to raise awareness and to get

students involved may not be as easy as it seems. According to Harper, there are currently no partnerships between the university and The Women’s Center. While anyone is encouraged to call the center to volunteer to help paint homes or carry-out lawn care, there is no option for students to work directly with the women. “That would be something we would have to have a round table about,” Whitehead said. “But it’s not off the table.” In total, The Women’s Shelter has 11 beds in their main phase facility, and 17 fully furnished homes in the surrounding area for women who have progressed through the program. Mona Henderson, director of Samaritan’s Well based in Lexington, said they “hadn’t had that many [students]” through their program. “Maybe three in the past two and a half years,” Henderson said. Samaritan’s Well is smaller than The Women’s Shelter, with only 16 beds. However, their primary focus is on long-term goal setting for “women who are economically in a bad place,” according to Henderson. While both centers serve as transitional spaces for women and their families, they also have waiting lists for entry, something Harper hopes to remedy by partnering with shelter. Harper may have lost the battle as far as Lacy goes, but he has a notion to win the war. Harper hopes to continue cataloging the

process on his blog. “I would love people to get to see what it’s like to follow through with someone,” he said. Between 2001 and 2010 in South Carolina alone, over 4,100 arrests were made for soliciting prostitution, with the number as a slow, steady rise. Harper and his friends are in for a long battle, the outcome of which will be determined only in time. According to Eric Grabski, spokesman for USCPD, there have been “no cases [of prostitution] on campus in the past six months, or the past year.”

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for the second-consecutive week.

Though the team recognized before Halloween it would fall short of preseason expectations, a three-game win streak capped off by a win over Clemson to end the season (while locking up bowl eligibility) can give the Gamecocks traction in the restoration process.

And even though the bowl game will in all likelihood be played before New Year's Day for the first time in four years, the extra practices the team will have should prove

invaluable in the development of the younger players.

Despite what will ultimately be labeled a disappointing season, the team's ability to scrap out six wins to earn its 11TH bowl appearance since 2000 reinforces that this program is still in a much better place than it was 20 years ago.

"It is momentum," redshirt senior quarterback Dylan Thompson said. "It's getting victories and doing what it takes to win, and that's what we've done in the past two weeks."

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once the building's gymnasium.

Gruner said the building will return to the classroom setting it was in the 1940s. Classes in the College of Social Work have been

split between seven buildings across campus over the years and will move to one central location for the first time.

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Blue Cactus: keepin’ it spicy



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Blue Cactus Cafe on Greene Street incorporates Korean and Southwestern cuisines into its menu of eclectic dishes, and every menu item is under \$10.

20-year-old Five Points cafe remains family business

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Blue Cactus Café isn’t a restaurant you’d notice right away. In fact, you’ve probably passed it several times without knowing. Located in Five Points next to The Salty Nut, its high concrete walls cover the entrance making it hard to view. But if you haven’t been, you’re missing out on some great food.

Blue Cactus combines dishes inspired by Korean and Southwestern cuisine.

Established on Cinco de Mayo of 1994, the restaurant was opened by Lloyd and Mary Reese. At that time, there weren’t many restaurants in Five Points. With a fresh angle, they were able to establish their niche and gain a customer base.

Blue Cactus Café is a family-run business. Lloyd and Mary Reese’s daughter and grandson also work in the restaurant. It started as a sandwich shop, but Lloyd and Mary Reese wanted to turn it into something different. They decided to serve Korean and Southwestern dishes to combine the two cuisines they loved most.

On the Korean half of the menu, you can find

dishes that incorporate stir fry, stews, noodles and rice. On the Southwest side, foods include burritos, quesadillas and beans to flare up your taste buds.

“We pride ourselves on the various foods we serve because anyone is able to eat here,” Lloyd said. The restaurant also prides itself on being, “world famous and arrogantly slow.”

“It’s one of those things we couldn’t change. My dad believes if you can’t change it, you might as well be proud of it,” said Julie Reese, daughter of Lloyd and Mary Reese.

They put time into making the food because they use fresh ingredients and work to make sure it’s cooked well, but don’t worry — it only takes about the same time as a drive-thru to be served.

“The food we offer is the kind of food that has a home cooked and authentic taste to it,” Lloyd said.

The Bee Bim Bob is a popular meal amongst customers — it consists of a bowl of rice with five Korean vegetables with choice of tofu, beef, chicken or spicy pork and comes with a sunny side up egg.

Besides the taste, people also come to the restaurant because it’s easy on the wallet. Nothing on the menu is over \$10, making it rather simple for Lloyd to come up with prices.

“What I wanted was for us to serve good food at a reasonable price that I could afford to sell,” Lloyd said.

Even though it’s a family business, the greatest relationship is with the customers. Since the restaurant has been in Five Points for 20 years, it has gathered a strong customer base. The restaurant also frequently interacts with patrons on their Facebook page to keep them in the loop.

Just as Julie was explaining the customer relationship, a man walked in and right as she saw his face, she asked if he was sticking with his usual order. Just like that, she told her mom to make him a Bee Bim Bob with tofu, egg and an unsweet tea with water.

“Well I guess that was a perfect example wasn’t it?” Julie said.

The restaurant is all about the customer experience. When you walk in, you’re greeted with a smile and if you need help picking something off the menu, they’re more than happy to suggest a good dish.

“For every customer that walks in the door, we work to provide them great quality food,” Lloyd said. “That’s what makes a great restaurant.”

‘Mockingjay’ breaks in 2



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“The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 1” is the beginning of the end of the Hunger Games Trilogy, but it fails to bring much substance to the series’ finale.

Third ‘Hunger Games’ film can’t entice viewer attention to end trilogy

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“The Hunger Games: Mockingjay - Part One”
Rated PG-13

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Director: Gary Ross
Starring: Jennifer Lawrence, Liam Hemsworth
Running Time: 142 minutes

“The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 1” premiered last weekend for the final installment of the Hunger Games series. Despite the cult-like following that the series has accumulated, viewers could very likely leave the theater feeling unsatisfied with first half of the

trilogy’s final movie.

The film split its finale into two installments a la fellow young-adult fiction film series “Twilight” and “Harry Potter.” But unlike those films, “Mockingjay” did not have enough detail to warrant the two-part split.

The film relied on mostly rising action and was largely a set-up for what might be more exciting bits in the second act of “Mockingjay.” The entire movie was limited to showing how Katniss is shaped into the perfect “Mockingjay” and preparing Peeta’s rescue from the Capital. Some scenes captured the essence of the Panem rebellion. The love triangle between Katniss, Peeta and Gale held strong, but it wasn’t enough to hold interest throughout the movie.

Not even Jennifer Lawrence’s performance could avail the entire film. Lawrence was outstanding in channeling the traumatic effect

on Katniss after the destruction of District 12 and the Peeta’s capture. Unfortunately, Lawrence failed to embody the Mockingjay. The scene in which she attempts to symbolize the Mockingjay could not raise spirit in the viewer. Rather, the scene felt very scripted and uncomfortably awkward.

The movie included new characters from District 13, including president Alma Coin, played by Julianne Moore. Moore accurately portrayed the hardened president and the hidden antagonist of Katniss. Much of Coin’s character is left uncertain and the importance of her role will most likely progress in the second installment.

The major plus of the film being split into two was that it allowed the director to stay faithful to the books. Many scenes were close, if not exact, in following Suzanne Collins’s novel. The film provided a lot of details and was able to linger more on the

storyline. The rising of the rebellion provides a heap of action-packed excitement for viewers.

The big drawback of the movie is that it paled in comparison to previous Hunger Games, especially “Catching Fire.” However, this is to be expected for split films. The “part one” portion is always the build-up to the climax. Little is to be expected out of such a film as the major action and enthusiasm is saved up for the second.

Overall, “Mockingjay” should have never been split into two movies. The film would have fared better in one great, three-hour picture. Moviegoers likely would have left the theater feeling content with sitting in a longer, exciting epic rather than being teased by the major foreplay in this shorter, simpler film.

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year’s Capital One Bowl victory saw Connor Shaw catch a touchdown from Bruce Ellington in a similar play.

Another senior that successfully grabbed headlines in his last home game was Brison Williams. The defensive back hauled in his third and fourth interceptions of the year against the Jaguars, one of which he carried into the endzone for his second pick-six of the season.

“I think it was a great way to finish my last home game here,” Williams said. “I think it was good, and it was a momentum change for the team.”

It’s no understatement that Williams’ score changed the tone of the rest of the game. With South Carolina up by just four points before the touchdown, the Jaguars would never trail by any fewer than eight from there on out.

The third, and final, senior that scored Saturday was wide receiver Nick Jones. He totaled three catches for 53 yards and a touchdown on the day.

Rounding out the seniors that participated in the ceremonies were tight end Rory Anderson, wide receiver Damiere Byrd, offensive lineman A.J. Cann, long snapper Ryland Culbertson, fullback Jordan Diaz, punter Patrick Fish, tight end Cody Gibson, spur Sharrod Golightly, punter Tyler Hull, safety Kadetrix Marcus, linebacker Connor McLaurin, cornerback Sidney Rhodes, offensive lineman Corey Robinson and defensive

lineman J.T. Surratt.

Non-seniors that were honored include running back Mike Davis, quarterback Austin Hails, long snapper Coleman Harley and wide receiver Matthew Harvey.

Some bigger-picture news came from the list of non-participants, however, where we learned that running back Brandon Wilds plans to return for his senior year in 2015. The redshirt junior said he knows he’s “not ready,” for the NFL quite yet.

Redshirt junior Drew Owens was scheduled to walk on Senior Day, but he was nowhere to be found when it came time for the ceremony. According to USC Athletics media relations, the tight end overslept, a fact that Spurrier and Owens’ parents were unaware of during the festivities.

Contained within the past four years have been some of the most successful seasons in South Carolina football history.

Every player that was honored Saturday has been with the program since at least the 2012 season, making them a part of two, if not three, 11-win seasons. And, according to Spurrier, they’ll all be missed.

“We’ve got some really good senior leaderships,” he said. “They’ve all done well, and we appreciate the fans recognizing all of the third, fourth, fifth-year guys before the game.”

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at the position. Davis entered the game and immediately caught a 28-yard pass from redshirt senior Dylan Thompson, setting up a six-play 73-yard touchdown drive for the Gamecocks. Then, on South Carolinas’ third and fifth offensive drives, Davis coughed up the football, the second of which resulted in a South Alabama field goal right before halftime. After fumbling twice, Spurrier yanked Davis in favor of Wilds and redshirt freshman running back David Williams.

“The fumbles sort of got him sidelined,” Spurrier said. “Two out of three times you touch the ball [and fumble], we just didn’t know if he could hold on to the ball. We’ve got plenty of other running backs, though.”

Despite being a junior, Davis participated in South Carolina’s Senior Day Saturday afternoon and will likely declare for the NFL Draft after the season, although he has not yet publicly made a decision.

“Three turnovers a day”

Coming into Saturday, South Carolina’s defense had tallied five interceptions all season. Saturday afternoon, senior defensive back Brison Williams and sophomore linebacker Skai Moore picked off two passes each, as the Gamecocks’ defense recorded five turnovers on the day. Aside from South Carolina’s win against Furman, Saturday’s game was the only contest in which its defense forced both a fumble and an interception in the same game. The team’s defense looked to be at its best when juniors TJ Gurley and Chris Moody manned the safety positions, allowing Williams to move to cornerback, where he made both of his interceptions. Since moving Moore to middle linebacker a week ago, the defense has surrendered 567 total yards over a two-game span. That total is the lowest two-game yard total allowed by South Carolina this season.

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depth with 13 players seeing action on Sunday. Cuevas looks to be important role player this season. With her four steals, she had 11 points on 4-of-6 shooting to go along with five assists and three rebounds. Freshman Jatarie White also looks like she can play valuable minutes in the front court, posting six points and rebounds against San Diego State.

Gamecocks head coach Dawn Staley may be getting a little tired of hearing about going into the No. 1 spot in the AP poll. She said it’s just a little milestone for what her team is trying to accomplish, which is to be No. 1 at the end of the year. Thus, all of these early-season accolades don’t mean much until it gets to

March.

That attitude has translated to her players. Wilson said Staley in the locker room called the Gamecocks upcoming trip to the Bahamas for the Junkanoo Jam a “business trip.”

Mitchell did put things into perspective a bit by mentioning how far South Carolina has come in the women’s basketball landscape.

“Basically, we’re just putting South Carolina on the map,” she said. “If you’re not really in tune with women’s basketball, you wouldn’t put South Carolina as a Final Four team. So we’re just trying to open people’s eyes and show them that we are a national contender.”

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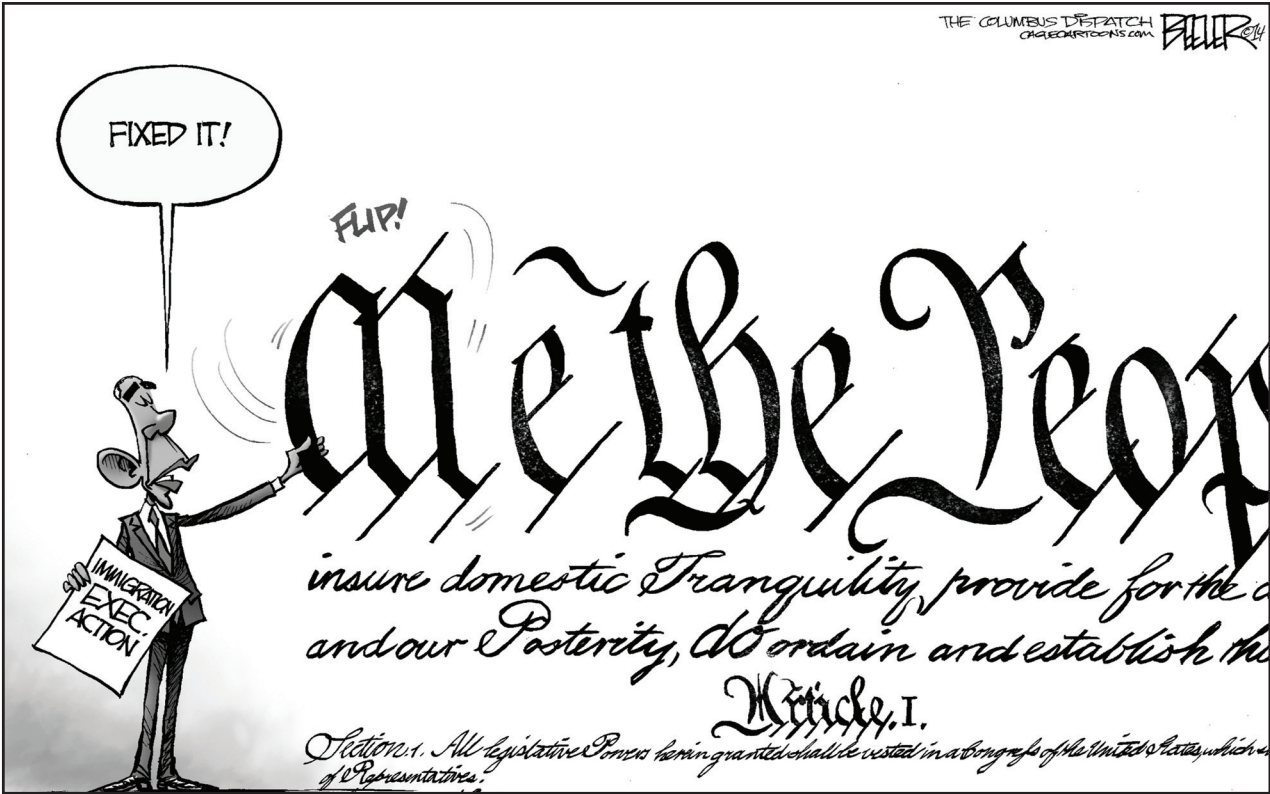
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USC-IBM partnership sounds promising, but we need details

ISSUE
New jointly funded program starts in January.

OUR STANCE
While everything seems promising, we need detail.

Last week, the USC board of trustees went ahead with plans to give Assembly Street another shiny, new building in 2016, continuing the long streak of construction projects and renovations which have characterized the past few years.

This new building, which will set up shop down the road from the new Darla Moore School of Business on Blossom and Assembly, will be a technology research center, funded by a public-private partnership between USC and IBM.

(The research centers' activities will start in January and will be housed in university buildings until the new development is constructed.)

Perhaps the most headline-making aspect of the deal is a ten-year, \$70 million provision which will allow IBM to run and oversee all of USC's computer systems currently in place.

This marks the most recent

instance of USC cutting deals with private corporations after its venture with the 650 Lincoln residence project, and there seems to be some good that will come from it.

First, the university will get a cut of the enterprises' profits, as well as garner tax money that USC will be able to leverage from the building.

Second, there will be more opportunities for technology

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and business-minded folks: students could be eligible for an indeterminate number of internship, while 60 USC technology employees will switch over to IBM, while continuing to receive university-esque benefits.

Finally, there's a plan in place to use technology assets from the enterprise to give students a better idea of their scholastic strengths

and weaknesses that will launch next year.

All of these benefits seem good on paper, and perhaps they will materialize in the way they're supposed to as the project progresses.

However, literally all the information that we have about the research center is straight from the mouth of the companies involved. Other than press releases, there's not much else to go on.

We're not saying the parties involved are necessarily hiding something — many concrete details of the deal were announced when trustees approved the agreement Friday.

But IBM hasn't released some relevant details and has yet to answer some questions outright.

For example, we have no idea what will happen after IBM's 10-year deal, nor what forms this oversight would take in practice. When asked, IBM refused to answer questions posed by The State about the money it will make from side-contracts with other tech companies.

All in all, we're glad that these benefits are apparently on their way, but we feel that there should be more transparency about the proceedings — especially for a project set to start in January.

With Philae, human ideas trump nature

"The Millennial Classicist" on idea of progress and space probes

For the ancient Greeks and Romans, heavenly bodies were not the sorts of objects to which one anchors a craft. For them, if one's ship was flying among the stars, then the predicament was a bit more like so:

"As he flings forth such words, a gust, shrieking from the North, strikes full on his sail and lifts the waves to heaven. The oars snap, then the prow swings round and gives the broadside to the waves; down in a heap comes a sheer mountain of water."

This is a passage from Aeneid 1 (102 ff) describing a storm in which Aeneas and his ships are caught when Juno is maddened at not being the center of attention in heaven or earth. The depiction of "waves lifting to heaven," corny though it may sound to modern sensibilities, was in fact a popular trope in ancient literature.

This is because it articulated a particular breakdown of world order in which the sea, typically relegated to one sphere of influence, ascends into the realm of fire towards the realm of heaven. Everything had its own place in the hierarchy.

Poets often used such illustrations as metaphors for political or social order because conceptions of the human cosmos were so closely intertwined physically and conceptually with those of the natural cosmos.

For example, according to the well-known idea of Plato's Republic, society was structured in a fixed hierarchy consisting of the "highest," "middle" and "lowest" orders, like the heavens. This, as in Athens, then degenerates into mob rule, and robs from society the potential of any embellishment (ornatus), a word which translates the Greek cosmos, which means "good order" but also "adornment."

This same metaphoric correlation of the macrocosm of nature and microcosm of culture is articulated in Virgil's praise of Augustus as articulated by Jupiter in Aeneid: "his empire will stretch to Ocean and his fame to the stars."

The recent comet-lassoing spaceship reminds us that this ancient paradigm of hierarchical human-in-nature has fallen, like the spaceship itself, into obsolescence.

The physicists, engineers and cosmologists who orchestrated the landing of Philae no longer aspire to snuggle up against the boundary stones of nature: rather, it is assumed that the ideal is to challenge, surpass and revolutionize the human proportion to the universe.

Indeed, their achievement merits the praise given by the Roman poet Lucretius in his poem On the Nature of Things to his teacher Epicurus:

"His vigor of mind prevailed, and he strode far Beyond the fiery battlements of the world, Raising the fields of the unmeasured All ... Superstition now lies trampled under foot"

—Written by Del Maticic, fifth-year classics major

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NFL responsible for young recruits' safety



Matt McBreen
Third-year sport and entertainment mgmt. student

Because NFL deal "irresistable," thoughts on health put aside

In Clay Travis' November 16th column on Fox's Outkick The Coverage, he wrote about the injuries of Todd Gurley and Marcus Lattimore, and how it was "immoral" that the NFL's age restrictions prevented them from going pro early.

NFL rules state you must be three years removed from graduating high school to be eligible for the NFL draft, meaning you can declare at the earliest as a junior or redshirt sophomore. Travis believes players should be allowed to enter the draft once they turn 18, and anything else is morally indefensible and a violation of anti-trust laws.

First off, it was decided in the 2003 case Claret v. National Football League that the NFL age limit is not a violation of anti-trust laws. The court initially

ruled in favor of Claret, a sophomore running back from Ohio State who had been suspended for multiple off-field incidents.

However, the ruling was reversed in the Court of Appeals, who stated that certain instances of collective bargaining are not under anti-trust laws. They ruled

"If you were told at 18 you could either go to college or have a chance to sign a seven-figure contract, would you be able to resist?"

that the CBA is negotiated in the best interests of both the NFL and its teams and players. Since the minimum age of incoming players has an effect on the wages of current NFL players, it has been deemed a reasonable bargaining subject in the CBA.

I can see why Travis thinks it's unfair that Gurley tore his ACL when he could have been earning NFL money. And it is unfair, but more in a "life is unfair"

way than a "the NFL is immoral" way.

Having an 18 and over age limit sounds great on paper, but it isn't as simple as letting kids just out of high school decide whether to go pro or not. The NBA had that rule up until the 2006 draft. They decided to change the restriction to 19 years old because the draft was being flooded with kids who both weren't ready to play professional basketball and didn't have the maturity to realize it.

If you were told at 18 you could either go to college or have a chance to sign a seven-figure contract, would you be able to resist?

And there isn't nearly as much of a physical gap between high school and pro in the NBA as there is in the NFL. The NFL is a full contact sport. A kid fresh out of high school is still developing and flat out isn't ready for the beating an NFL player takes week in and week out.

We place so much importance on head safety, but we're going to let an 18 or 19 year old, with a still developing brain, line up across from a 29 year old grown man?


This isn't a question of whether players try to make the leap from high school to the NFL. They will. But, as Travis says, "If they don't make it as pros, so what? That's their risk."

Isn't it just as immoral to tell a kid to make a life-altering decision at 18, then say "so what" if he picks the wrong one? That's unfair to every football player leaving high school with the chance of a promising future.

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Taurus

Figure out the budget so you can take off on a trip. The data tells you a story. New opportunities present themselves. You're very persuasive now. Your wanderlust is getting worse. Love sets you free.

Gemini

You gain a financial advantage. Collect data for review. Talk about the numbers with your partner. Make a commitment. Delegate actions that you can afford to pay for. Generosity is a good thing. Improve working conditions.

Cancer

A good coach makes learning much easier. Everything gets farther with teamwork over the next few days. Everything seems possible. Determine which role to play, and parcel out tasks between group members. Rewards exceed expectations.

Leo

Focus on the fun side of your job. Go for the gold. It's another busy day, and your work's in demand. Don't hesitate to enlist assistance when you need it. Pass on smaller jobs to colleagues.

Virgo

Today and tomorrow bubble with fun. It could even get profitable. Play with a talented and competent team, and improvise together. Practice what you love and it grows. Focus on passion, and money provides a pleasant benefit. Bring it home.

Libra

A home project grows bigger than imagined. Find what you need in your own closets or attic. You're good at solving problems. The gentle approach works best now. Use persuasion rather than force. Focus on what's wanted and needed.

Scorpio

You've got the talent; now do the homework over the next two days. Soak up information like a sponge. Summarize and clarify the main point. Communicate the most important aspects, and share what you're learning.

Sagittarius

Crank up the action and you can earn more today and tomorrow. Pay expenses before divvying up the loot. Learn new tricks from an experienced friend. How can you make routines more efficient? Trim waste. Guard resources.

Capricorn

Make future plans. You're extra confident today and tomorrow. You're getting stronger (and more impatient). Start out now. No more procrastination. Determine what you want and go for it. Dare to be bold and even unreasonable.

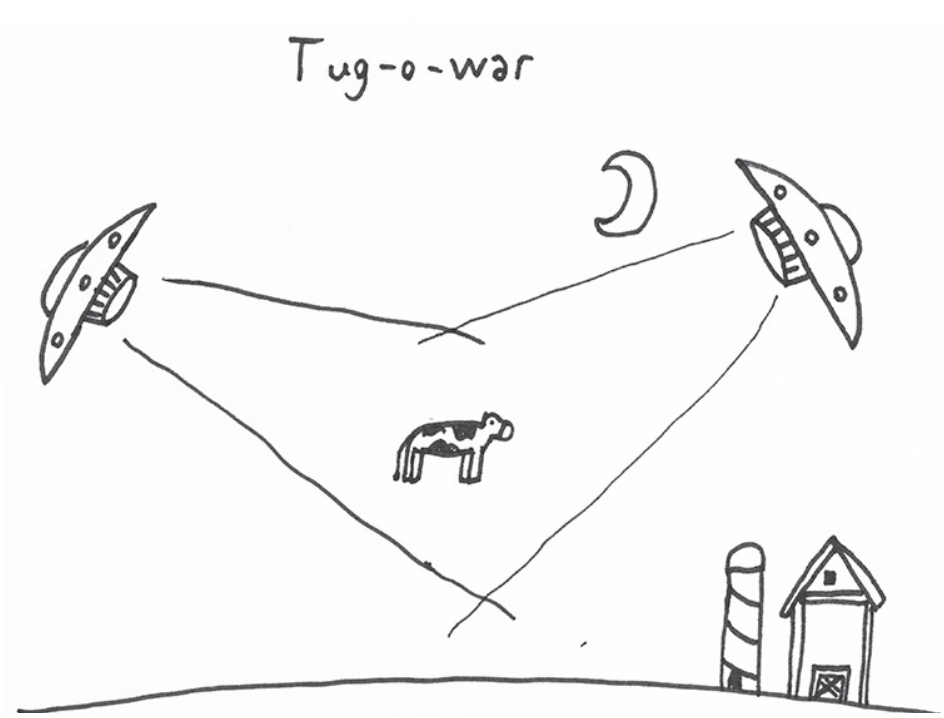
Aquarius

Private plan proceeds on course. You personal vision is right on the money. Meditate in seclusion. You're extra sensitive now. Make your place more comfortable, and contemplate potential outcomes. Relax in hot water. Give thanks.

Pisces

Your career benefits from social interaction and networking today and tomorrow. Accept encouragement. It's a good time to ask for a raise. To discover your best qualities, ask your friends. Have them help with your resume.

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Gamecocks roll past San Diego State

Women's basketball remains undefeated after 89-38 win

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In Sunday's women's basketball matchup between South Carolina and San Diego State, the Gamecocks forced 13 Aztec turnovers within the first eight minutes of the game, setting the tone for the rest of the day.

And the rest of the day moved pretty easily for the Gamecocks (3-0) after that as they cruised to an 89-38 win.

"This was a tough game for us because we just got beat by the No. 1 team in the country, in my opinion," San Diego State head coach Stacie Terry said after the contest.

After two blowout wins against Clemson and the Aztecs (1-3) along with No. 1 Connecticut losing this past week, it seems to be a foregone conclusion that South Carolina will hold the top ranking.

Transition buckets and points off turnovers for South Carolina pretty much tell Sunday's whole story. In the first half alone, 19 Aztec turnovers led to 27 Gamecock points and nine first-half steals led to 19 fast break points for South Carolina. The Gamecocks had a commanding 51-16 lead at halftime.

It was common to see freshman guard/forward A'ja Wilson glide to the rim for easy layups after a steal. Wilson scored 15 points coming off the bench to go along with nine rebounds.

Junior guard Tiffany Mitchell went off for 20 points. She stayed hot from beyond the arc the entire game, hitting all six of her three-point attempts.

"I was pretty confident coming into this game," Mitchell said. "I got shots up before we played, and the day before, I did the same routine, so I just felt good with my shot today."

San Diego State's ball-handlers faced relentless pressure from South Carolina point guards. Junior Khadijah Sessions and freshman Bianca Cuevas' speed helped them each earn four steals



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Junior guard Tiffany Mitchell was perfect from three-point range, converting on all six attempts.

and easy assist opportunities.

The pressure helped the Gamecocks force 29 turnovers for the game while also holding the Aztecs to shoot just 29 percent from the field. Additionally, South Carolina shot 51 percent on the day and had another solid day from the three-point line (9-of-19, 47 percent).

Once again, South Carolina showcased its

BASKETBALL • 5

Davis unimpressive in likely Williams-Brice farewell



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Junior running back Mike Davis turned the ball over twice Saturday and did not play in the second half.

South Carolina sustains late lead against Jaguars

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Fourth quarter struggles erased

Even with a 14-point lead, there's a reason South Carolina fans found themselves clutching to the nearest possible object in the second half against South Alabama. In fact, the point differential is the reason why fans were unable to relax. Coming into Saturday's game, the Gamecocks had been outscored 102-69 in the fourth quarter, and had seen late leads against Missouri, Kentucky and Tennessee slip away in the final quarter. However, against South Alabama, the team allowed only a field goal in the second half and held the Jaguars to 45 total yards in the fourth quarter. South Carolina

capitalized on its opponent's stagnant offense, scoring 14 points in the final 15 minutes to put the game out of the reach. The Gamecock's defense played well enough to earn praise from head coach Steve Spurrier, who, at times, has been the unit's harshest critic this season.

"Fortunately, our defense really came to play in the second half," Spurrier said. "We shut them out in the second half, and held them to field goals in the first half. Even though they were on the field most of the time, we made them kick field goals, and they only had nine points."

Forgettable farewell

Junior running back Mike Davis checked into the game during South Carolina's second drive of the game after yielding to junior running back Brandon Wilds, who started

Fourth, fifth-year players shine in win

22 recognized on Senior Day during halftime

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College football is very different from the NFL in a number of categories, but the most significant is probably player turnover.

Every four years, give or take, athletes exhaust their eligibility and/or take off for the professional ranks, putting an end to their relatively short time in college football.

That's what Senior Day is for, celebrating the large contributions a handful of athletes have made in a small amount of time. As the last home game of the year, Saturday's 37-12 win over South Alabama played host to that celebration for the 2014 Gamecocks.

The 17 seniors and their families were honored during the pregame festivities, and five players with one year of eligibility remaining took part, as well.

"It's just been a blessing to play at this school. I know all the seniors are just really grateful," redshirt senior quarterback Dylan Thompson said. "We feel like it's the best university in the nation, and it's a blessing to be a part of this school."

In a game that was widely considered too close for comfort until the final whistle, many South Carolina seniors were the difference in the Gamecocks' last home contest.

Thompson completed 10 of his 17 pass attempts for 237 yards and a touchdown. But the senior also got to live a dream that's been in the works for his entire career during Saturday's win. In the fourth quarter, Thompson split out wide while sophomore Pharoah Cooper took a direct snap and promptly found his quarterback in the endzone for a seven-yard touchdown reception.

"We probably ran that play in practice, no exaggeration, 150-200 times over the past few years," Thompson said. "I just beg [head coach Steve Spurrier] to throw it every game that we have it possibly in the game plan, and when I saw it signaled in, it was just everything I could do not to start going crazy."

South Carolina is no stranger to exotic play-calling when the quarterback is involved. Last

SENIORS • 5

Women's soccer stuns UNC, will face Florida State

History was made in Chapel Hill, North Carolina Sunday afternoon.

The South Carolina women's soccer team (14-5-5) is heading to the quarterfinals of the NCAA tournament for the first time in program history after pulling off a 1-0 upset win over No. 2-seed North Carolina on the Tar Heels' home field.

The Gamecocks outshot North Carolina throughout the match and, in the 23rd minute, midfielder Raina Johnson's shot got past Tar Heel goalkeeper Bryane Heaberlin and slithered into the bottom right corner of the goal to give South Carolina an early lead.

The score was the Gamecocks' first in over 366 minutes of play, dating back to South Carolina's 2-1 win against Missouri in the SEC Tournament on Nov. 5.

For the second match in a row, the third-seeded Gamecocks were without All-American goalkeeper Sabrina D'Angelo because of a wrist injury, while All-SEC defender Taylor Leach also missed the match because of the two yellow cards she received in the team's contest against Seattle.

With that said, the Gamecock defense held strong and did a stellar job of containing North Carolina's offensive attack.

South Carolina has now shut out its opponent in three consecutive matches.

The Tar Heels registered just three shots on goal while backup goalkeeper Abbey Crider earned her second straight clean sheet in just her second career start.

Trailing for most of the match, North Carolina became more aggressive on offense as the second half went on.

The Tar Heels had a plethora of corner kicks during the second half and North Carolina's best scoring chance came in the 90th minute when Joanna Boyles had a shot from point-blank range which Crider corralled for her third save of the day.

South Carolina will face the winner of the match between No. 1 seed Florida State and Central Florida on either Friday or Saturday.

—Brennan Doherty, Staff Reporter

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